

(e) the offer matching system's executing the first offer at least in part against the second offer in accordance with a set of rules that govern the operation of the offer matching system;

(f) publishing a first data packet that comprises the first identifier and a first data item, the first data item concerning the first offer;

(g) a first information publishing system's receiving the first data packet; and

(h) the first information publishing system's publishing a second data packet that comprises:

(1) the first identifier and

(2) a second data item, wherein:

(A) the second data item:

(I) was not contained in the first data packet,

(II) was calculated by the first information publishing

system, and

(III) concerns an item selected from the group comprised

of

the first offer and

an execution of the first offer against the second offer; and

(B) calculation of the second data item depends upon a third data item that is not obtained from the offer matching system.

137. A method for an offer matching system to publish information comprising the following steps:

(a) receiving from a first participant a first description of a first offer;

(b) receiving from a second participant a second description for a second offer;

(c) associating the first offer with a first identifier, the first identifier not associated with any offer other than the first offer;

(d) if the first description did not disclose the first identifier, sending the first identifier to the first participant in a manner that discloses to the first participant that the first identifier is associated with the first offer;

(e) the offer matching system's executing the first offer at least in part against the second offer in accordance with a set of rules that govern the operation of the offer matching system; and

(f) publishing a first data packet that comprises the first identifier and a first data item, the first data item concerning an execution of the first offer against the second offer.

(g) a first information publishing system's receiving the first data packet; and

(h) the first information publishing system's publishing a second data packet that comprises:

(1) the first identifier and

(2) a second data item, wherein:

(A) the second data item:

(I) was not contained in the first data packet,

(II) was calculated by the first information publishing

system, and

(III) concerns an item selected from the group comprised

of

the first offer,

the second offer, and

offer; and

an execution of the first offer against the second

(B) calculation of the second data item depends upon a third data item that is not obtained from the offer matching system.

163. The method of claim 52, 76, 82, 88, 94, 101, 109, 118, 129, 137, 138 or 142 wherein the first offer is an offer to buy or to sell a quantity of a traded item selected from the group consisting of:

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